*The Grapes of Wrath*

John Steinbeck DYNAMIC CHARACTERS

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Discussion: Which members of the Joad family undergo a change in the course of the novel?

Your group is responsible to discuss

Pa Ma Tom Rose of Sharon Al Uncle John Connie Noah Ruthie & Winfield

With your group, find examples where the character has changed by the time he or she reaches California (or beyond, to this point in the novel). What causes this change? Does any character fail to evolve? If so, why? Are the Joads responsible for what happens to them? Make an outline of your conclusions. Choose a spokesperson to report your group’s findings to the class.

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|  | Your observation…. | An example to support it…. |
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| Now…. |  |  |

In-class #5:

character analysis

Focus on and write about Tom, Ma, Casy, and Rosasharn. Consider these four characters in pairs, since Tom follows Casy’s example while Rosasharn emulates Ma. How are Tom and Casy/Ma and Rosasharn similar? How are they different?